

2005 IATE Poetry and Prose Contest

Poems of Exceptional Merit

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Lost Glasses

I was there
Wedged securely in a damp lily
Wet as the cold earth
And you didn't even notice me
I was there in front of your nose
And you just walked right past me
I'm lucky that I was in my case
Or I would have become an ice cube
(I didn't want to be an ice cube!)
You wasted time looking for me
On ledges and underneath chairs
While I was trapped in a flower
Wet as snow and screaming for help
And STILL you didn't notice me
I was stuck
At the pool
All night
During a thunderstorm
Until...
(Hooray!)
Mom found me
And brought me home to you!